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UK-London: buses and coaches
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QUALIFICATION SYSTEM -UTILITIES
Services

This notice is a call for competition Yes

SECTION I: CONTRACTING ENTITY

I.1) NAME, ADDRESSES AND CONTACT POINT(S)

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Further information concerning the qualification system can be obtained at: As in above-mentioned contact point(s)

Further documentation can be obtained at: As in above-mentioned contact point(s)

Requests to participate or candidatures must be sent to: As in above-mentioned contact point(s)

I.2) MAIN ACTIVITY OR ACTIVITIES OF THE CONTRACTING ENTITY

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

SECTION II: OBJECT OF THE QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

II.1) TITLE ATTRIBUTED TO THE QUALIFICATION SYSTEM BY THE CONTRACTING ENTITY

New Bus for London.

II.2) TYPE OF CONTRACT

Services

II.3) DESCRIPTION OF THE WORKS, SERVICES OR GOODS TO BE PROCURED THROUGH THE QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

Transport for London (TfL) announced the winners of a public competition for design of a new bus for London in December 2008 in support of the Mayor of London's intention to introduce a new bus design into regular service. London Bus Services Limited (LBSL) is responsible for taking this project forward. Further details of the competition and winners can be found on the TfL website at www.tfl.gov.uk.

LBSL wishes to establish a list of qualified suppliers to support the design, development, manufacture and trialling of prototype(s) and then series production and in service support of a new bus for London. The new design will consider the ideas put forward in the public competition, LBSL's requirements for vehicles in service in London, and appropriate innovations proposed by supplier(s). Suppliers must be capable of providing design services, manufacture of both prototype and series production, and in service support, of advanced double deck vehicles for public service in London.

It is LBSL's current intention to award an initial contract(s) in late 2009 with trials commencing in 2011 and introduction of new buses to service following on from successful completion of

the trials in 2012.
LBSL will establish a register of Service Providers from which potential candidates will be selected for requirements arising from the development and introduction of the New Bus for London. It will be used for services and supply contracts as defined in the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2006. The negotiated procedure will be used for contracts to be awarded to qualified candidates.
LBSL reserves the right, in addition, to operate any of the award procedures available under the Directive and therefore the qualification may not be its sole means of awarding contracts. Entry onto LBSL list of registered contractors will be regarded as Stage 1 of the qualification process. Stage 2 will comprise the matching of the capability of each applicant on the register to the needs of each individual contract on the basis of objective criteria.

II.4) COMMON PROCUREMENT VOCABULARY (CPV)

34121000 Buses and coaches, 34121100 Public-service buses

II.5) CONTRACTS COVERED BY THIS QUALIFICATION SYSTEM ARE COVERED BY THE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT (GPA)

Yes

SECTION III: LEGAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

III.1) CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION

III.1.1) Qualification for the system

Conditions to be fulfilled by economic operators in view of their qualification: The Evaluation Criteria will be outlined in the pre-qualification documents. The Suppliers/Service Providers selected from the qualification system will be invited to submit proposals against the detailed requirements of TfL's Invitation Documents.

III.1.2) Reserved contracts

No

SECTION IV: PROCEDURE

IV.1) AWARD CRITERIA

IV.1.1) Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate

IV.1.2) An electronic auction will be used

IV.2) ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

IV.2.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

PRO1632

IV.2.2) Duration of the qualification system

Indefinite duration

IV.2.3) Renewal of the qualification system

SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VI.1) ONE OR MORE CONTRACTS COVERED BY THE QUALIFICATION SYSTEM ARE RELATED TO A PROJECT AND/OR PROGRAMME FINANCED BY COMMUNITY FUNDS

No

VI.2) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

a) The procurement process is being conducted on behalf of Transport for London (TfL). TfL is a complex organisation operating both as a Functional body of the Greater London Authority (GLA) under the direction of the Mayor of London and as a provider of transport services. The services, supplies or works may be provided to TfL and/or its subsidiaries and/or GLA.

b) Further information about TfL may be found at www.transportforlondon.gov.uk and www.tfl.gov.uk/procurement.

c) The Awarding Authority reserves the right to withdraw from the procurement process and may award a contract(s) in whole, in part, or not at all as a result of the competition called for by this notice and the Awarding Authority shall not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by any candidates in considering and/or responding to the procurement process.

d) All discussions and meetings will be conducted in English

e) Tenders and supporting documents must be priced in sterling and all payments under the contract will be made in sterling.

f) TfL and/or any subsidiary of TfL or the GLA may interview any or all companies who express an interest in tendering for this work.

g) If and when this requirement is offered to tender, it may be done in whole or in part via electronic means using the Internet.

h) TfL strongly supports and implements the Greater London Authority Group Responsible Procurement Policy. Details about the policy can be found on the publications page of the Transport for London website.

Further details as to the application of the Greater London Authority Group Responsible Procurement Policy to this procurement will be set out in the tender documents.

VI.3) PROCEDURES FOR APPEAL

VI.3.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures

VI.3.2) Lodging of appeals

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: The Authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the contracting authority before the contract is entered into. Applicants have 2 working days from the notification of the award decision to request additional debriefing and that information has to be provided a minimum of 3 working days before the expiry of the standstill period. Such additional information should be required from the contracting authority.If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2006 (SI 2006 No 6) provides for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought promptly (generally within 3 months). Where a contract has not been entered into the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the contract has been entered into the Court may only award damages.

VI.3.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained

VI.4) DATE OF DISPATCH OF THIS NOTICE:
12.2.2009